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SUBJ: W/W - LYLE RICHARD CHAMBERS DEC 28, 1932 IOWA

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1. AMCIT LYLE RICHARD CHAMBERS CONTINUES IN HIS LABOR DISPUTE WITH SAUDI EMPLOYER. USLO HAS BEEN TOLD BY EMPLOYER CARLSON AL-SAUDIA THAT LABOR COMMISSION FOUND IN THEIR FAVOR BY DISMISSING CHAMBERS' COMPLAINT AND PERMITTING THEM TO TERMINATE HIS EMPLOYMENT, BUT USLO HAS BEEN UNABLE TO VERIFY THIS WITH LABOR COMMISSION. IN THE MEANTIME, CHAMBERS HAS CHECKED OUT OF LOCAL HOTEL AND DISAPPEARED.

2. WIFE ELAINE CHAMBERS TELEPHONED AMEMBASSY JIDDA AND USLO SATURDAY JUNE 24 FROM PHOENIX, ARIZONA, INDICATING CONCERN THAT SHE HAD NOT HEARD FROM HUSBAND IN ONE WEEK. THAT WOULD COINCIDE WITH APPROXIMATE DATE OF CHAMBERS' DISAPPEARANCE. USLO IS RELUCTANT TO INITIATE POLICE SEARCH WITHOUT DIRECT DEPARTMENT AUTHORIZATION, AS CHAMBERS MAY BE IN VIOLATION OF SEVERAL CRIMINAL STATUTES UNDER SAUDI LAW (ILLEGAL USE OF FORMER EMPLOYER'S CAR PLUS RESIDING AND TRAVELLING IN THE KINGDOM WITHOUT PROPER SPONSORSHIP).

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3. CARLSON AL-SAUDIA REPORTS THAT CHAMBERS HAS BEEN SEEN IN RIYADH DRIVING ONE OF THEIR CARS, AND THAT HE IS SEEKING WORK HERE IN ORDER TO REMAIN IN THE KINGDOM DESPITE HIS TERMINATION BY CARLFUF. CHAMBERS HAS STATED TO EMBOFFS THAT HE MOST DEFINITELY WISHES TO REMAIN IN SAUDI ARABIA, AND HE EXPRESSED DISBELIEF EACH TIME HE WAS INFORMED THAT EVEN WITH AN IMMEDIATE CHANGE-OVER OF SPONSORSHIP/EMPLOY-

MENT HE WOULD HAVE TO DEPART THE COUNTRY AND REENTER.

4. USLO WILL CONTINUE TO SEEK CLARIFICATION OF CASE WITH
LABOR COMMISSION AND TO LOCATE CHAMBERS THROUGH INFORMAL
LOCAL CONTACTS, BUT WILL MAKE NO OFFICIAL REPORT OF HIS
APPARENT DISAPPEARANCE WITHOUT DEPARTMENT'S DIRECTION.
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